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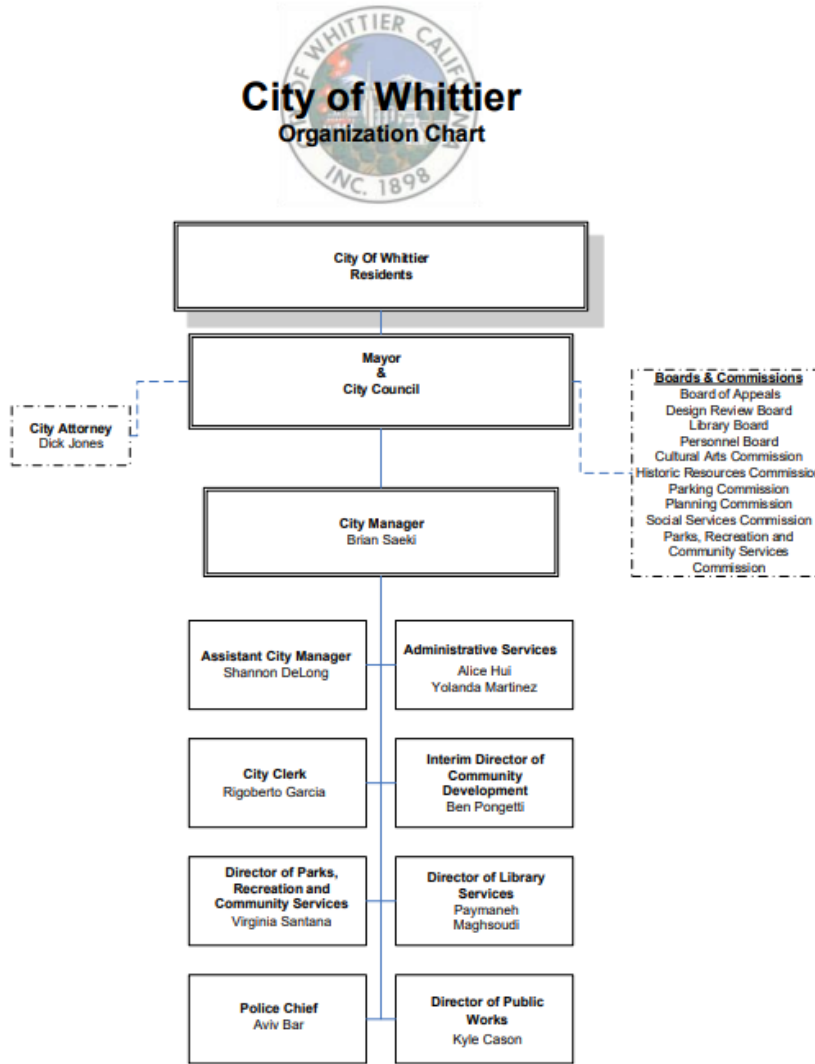
Good Evening,

I understand I am late for today's meeting so I am submitting this public comment for the next meeting and I will be attending. I have lived in Whittier for 41 years, my entire life. Attended Whittier schools, churches and was employed by Whittier from 2001-2016 working with various supervisors mostly in youth services and adaptive (therapeutic) recreation. I am also a graduate student attending the University of La Verne, obtaining my Masters Degree in Public Administration. Through my coursework I have been digging into a lot of Whittier's operations, budget and examining various aspects of the city. Recently while completing a group project Mayor Vinatieri was kind enough to pause from another engagement to answer a few questions and my foster daughter got to meet him. She was quite excited when I explained his position.

Thursday, March 19th, my daughter's school was having a family event called "Donuts with Grown-ups" followed by a Fitness Fun Run. I decided coffee was in order for the morning and proceeded towards Orchard Dale Elementary school on Whittier Boulevard. I noticed a black sedan weaving in and out of the morning traffic, nerve wracking in front of East Whittier Middle school with middle schoolers arriving on campus around 7:30 am. As I crossed Mills Avenue I turned on my blinker to merge into the right lane as my goal was to stop at the Starbucks on Whittier Blvd. and Colima Rd. I saw it was safe to merge in front of a white box truck when I had to pull back into the middle lane as that same black sedan that had been weaving in and out of traffic and sped along the shoulder of the road between the box truck and the curb, cutting off the box truck from its right side to get into that lane after the light turned green at Mills. I waited for the black sedan to continue speeding forward and merged behind them. Happened to notice the license plate that read something along the lines of "OCMARTZ". I know that is not 100% accurate but something like that, the first 3 letters are accurate. Well said black sedan pulls a sharp right into the Starbucks parking lot and parks slanted at first in the stall closets to the island and store near the start of the drive thru. It takes the drive a few tries to finally straighten the vehicle and saunter out and into the Starbucks.

Council member Martinez. I hope you take your membership to this council with a lot more respect and pride than what I witnessed that morning. Please note the City of Whittier Organizational Chart. Residents are at the top of that organizational chart. Residents=Voters. I have established that I have been in the city and worked for the city for quite some time. Perhaps you are unaware of resident's reactions to Council Member Jessica Martinez and our attempt to have her recalled after her disgraceful participation in the January 6th insurrection in Washington DC? Unfortunately we were not successful then, however that kind of statement can have a lasting effect on one's political career. We had much to learn and some of us have done our research now. We all know the power of social media and I am here to address you first and directly. When you choose to run for council you choose to be in a spotlight. Those of us who love our City and all the character and charm it offers take responsibility to be mindful of how we vote. My expectations of our council are to represent themselves well in all aspects of life but especially when out in public whether you have your council member hat on or not. I vote based on who I want my daughter to see as leaders in the community she is growing up in. Please drive more responsibly and safely. Your constituents watch

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Everything on we will continue to work with each other and act in need of Mayor, Council, thank you for your time.



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Sincerely,

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